Nihon Matsuri 2016

Once again, it is my sincere privilege to welcome you to the 11^{th} annual Nihon Matsuri celebration. This is such a special time for the people of the Japanese Church of Christ. We so much enjoy meeting, serving and engaging with all the visitors who come out for this festival.

The Nihon Matsuri celebration is of course, a great opportunity for you to see a side of a culture with which many people are not familiar. But for this one-day, the people of Salt Lake are able to enjoy a great variety of activities, food, and performances that are unique to Japanese culture. In addition to offering great food and creative events, this gathering serves to remind all of us of the many contributions the Japanese/American community has made and continues to make to the state of Utah.

Most of us do not realize how much work and effort are required to pull off an event such as this. I am humbled by the selfless dedication of so many in our community who offer their time and talents in order to insure the festivals success. It is an honor to be associated with such people, and I am confident you will share my admiration when you see the finished product.

So please come out Saturday, April 30 from 10am-5pm, to immerse yourself for a few hours in a celebration of a very special people and their magnificent culture.

Lord's Blessings,

Pastor Brad Kramer Japanese Church of Christ